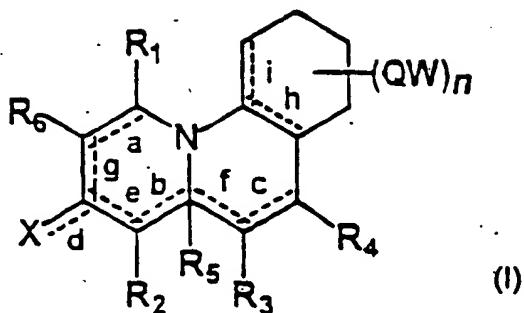


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*D1*

28. (new) Fully and partially reduced benzo(c)quinolizine compounds of formula (I):



*C X*  
wherein:

$R_1$ ,  $R_2$ ,  $R_3$ ,  $R_4$  and  $R_6$ , which are the same or different, are chosen from the group consisting of: H,  $C_{1-8}$  alkyl,  $C_{2-8}$  alkenyl,  $C_{2-8}$  alkynyl, cyclopropane, cyclobutane, cyclopentane, cyclohexane, cycloheptane, cyclooctane, norbornane, camphane, adamantane, phenyl, biphenyl, naphthyl, saturated or unsaturated aromatic heterocycle containing one N atom, halogen, CN, azide,  $NRR'$ ,  $C_{1-8}$  alkylamino, arylamino,  $C_{1-8}$  alkyloxy, aryloxy, COOR, CONRR',  $C(=O)R$ , wherein R and R', which are the same or different, are chosen from the group consisting of H,  $C_{1-8}$  alkyl, cyclopropane, cyclobutane, cyclopentane, cyclohexane, cycloheptane, cyclooctane, norbornane, camphane, adamantane, phenyl, biphenyl, naphthyl, saturated or unsaturated heterocycle containing one N atom, naphthyl- $C_{1-8}$ ;

$R_5$  is chosen from the group consisting of: H,  $C_{1-8}$  alkyl,  $C_{1-8}$  alkyl-phenyl, biphenyl, naphthyl, COOR, CN, phenyl, saturated or aromatic heterocycle containing one N atom,  $C_{1-8}$  alkyl-saturated or aromatic heterocycle containing one N atom;  $C_{1-8}$  alkyl saturated or aromatic heterocycle containing one N atom-ribose phosphate;

X is chosen from the group consisting of: O,  $C(=O)R$ , COOR,  $NO_2$ , and CONNR', wherein R and R' are as above defined;

Q is chosen from the group consisting of single-bond,  $C_{1-8}$  alkyl,  $C_{2-8}$  alkenyl,  $C_{2-8}$  alkynyl, cyclopropane, cyclobutane,

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cyclopentane, cyclohexane, cycloheptane, cyclooctane, norbornane, camphane, adamantane, CO, CONR, and NR, where R is as above defined;

W is chosen from the group consisting of H, C<sub>1-8</sub> alkyl, C<sub>2-8</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>2-8</sub> alkynyl, cyclopropane, cyclobutane, cyclopentane, cyclohexane, cycloheptane, cyclooctane, norbornane, camphane, adamantane, trifluoromethyl, C<sub>1-8</sub> alkoxy, C<sub>1-8</sub> alkoxy-C<sub>1-8</sub> alkyl, phenyl, biphenyl, naphthyl-C<sub>1-8</sub> alkyl, phenyl, biphenyl, naphthyl, phenoxy, biphenyloxy, naphthyl, phenylamino, biphenylamino, naphthylamino, C<sub>1-8</sub> alkyl-carbonyl, phenylcarbonyl, biphenylcarbonyl, naphthylcarbonyl, phenylcarboxyl, biphenylcarboxyl, naphthylcarboxyl, phenylcarboxyamide, biphenylcarboxyamide, naphthylcarboxyamide, halogen, CN, NRR', C<sub>1-8</sub> alkylamino, saturated or aromatic heterocycle containing one N atom wherein the groups alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, cyclopropane, cyclobutane, cyclopentane, cyclohexane, cycloheptane, cyclooctane, norbornane, camphane, adamantane, phenyl, biphenyl, naphthyl, saturated or aromatic heterocycle containing one N atom, can be substituted;

n is an integer comprised between 1 and 4;

the symbol ----- means that the corresponding bonds a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h and i are single or double bonds, with the proviso that when b or f are a double bond, the group R<sub>5</sub> is absent; their pharmaceutically acceptable salts and esters.

#### REMARKS

In paragraph 1 of the Office Action, the rejection of claims 13 in part, 14 in part, and the §112, second paragraph, rejections of claims 2 and 15 in part was withdrawn. The Examiner is requested to clarify what was meant by the partial withdrawal of the rejections.

In paragraph 2 of the Office Action, the Examiner commented regarding the joinder of the method of treating claims 18-23 with allowed compound claims. It is assumed that no further comments regarding claims 18-23 are required.

In paragraph 3 of the Office Action, the Examiner noted